

PUBLIC SAFETY INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE ANNOUNCEMENT

MOHAVE COUNTY Regional Interoperable Communications Plan (RICP) Development Workshop Scheduled March 3, 2011

The Public Safety Interoperable Communications Office (PSIC), in partnership with the Mohave County Emergency Managers Office, is pleased to announce a Regional Interoperable Communications Plan (RICP) Development Workshop on March 3, 2011 at the Mohave County Administration Building, 700 W. Beale St. in Kingman.

The workshop will be the first key step towards developing a regional plan that identifies current and future requirements and documents the region's interoperable communications priorities.

The goal of a Regional Interoperable Communications Plan (RICP) is to:

- Establish a regional vision for interoperable communications
- Develop recommendations to improve regional communications capabilities through key strategic initiatives (and multi-year plans for advancing such initiatives)
- Develop a migration plan for moving from the "as is" state to the desired "to be" condition and develop recommendations from various groups of local stakeholders regarding ways to steadily improve their regional communication capabilities

The workshop will be facilitated by experienced national experts in regional interoperable communications planning hired by PSIC to assure that best practices and lessons learned from other regions around the country will be applied. The regional plan developed will also be assured to be aligned with the Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP) and the National Emergency Communications Plan (NECP). Templates and Guidance Documents will be provided.

Mohave County RICP Development Workshop

March 3, 2011 - 9 AM – 4:30 PM (with a break from Noon to 1:30 PM)

Mohave County Administration Building - Saguaro A Room

700 W. Beale St.

Kingman, AZ

Please RSVP to Byron Steward at byron.steward@co.mohave.az.us and 928-757-0930

Developing a RICP requires the collaborative efforts of local public safety professionals throughout your region. The PSIC Office and expert facilitators recommend that participants include communications and operational representatives from multiple area agencies and jurisdictions across all public safety/service disciplines, including government, non-governmental organizations, volunteers and tribal entities. The participants should mirror the responders and support personnel needed for a major incident or planned event in the region

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